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CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST

TRIAL IN LEFTERIA CASE HELD IN LA ROCHELLE ON APRIL 18. TWO WATCH OFFICERS INCLUDING FIRST MATE OF FRANCE 11 FOUND GUILTY OF CRIMINAL NEGLIGENCE. FIRST OFFICER SENTENCED TO TWO MONTHS IMPRISONMENT AND 1000 FRANCS FINE. SECOND OFFICER FINED 500 FRANCS. CAPTAIN OF FRANCE 11 FOUND INNOCENT. SENTENCES WAIVED UNDER PROVISIONS OF GENERAL AMNISTY GRANTED PRESIDENT OF FRANCE FOLLOWING HIS ELECTION

MAITRE WAROT, LAWYER FOR NEXT OF KIN OF SOME US SURVIVORS VERY PLEASED BY VERDICT ESTABLISHING GUILT OF FRANCE 11 OFFICERS BECAUSE OF FAVORABLE EFFECT ON PENDING CIVIL SUIT. WAROT AND DEFENSE LAWYERS OF FRANCE 11 CONSIDERED VERDICT QUITE SEVERE UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES THAT IS AGE AND CONDITION OF LEFTERIA AND ALLEGED POOR LIGHTING OF VESSEL

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